



Nolan Wilson

First Tee – Phoenix Member

Years in First Tee: 9

Grade in High School: Sophomore

When were you introduced to First Tee?

I was introduced into First Tee when I was 5 years old by Coach Greg Hall after he saw me sinking putts at Desert Mirage Golf Club, and he informed my parents about Tiny Tees. I did Tiny Tees for 2 years until I could join the regular classes. I played in my first golf tournament when I was seven, and have played tournaments ever since.

Because of First Tee...

I can meet and talk to people. When I started First Tee, I had limited social skills, I would never look people in the eye, I did not know how to shake somebody's hand, I hated talking, and I felt most comfortable alone playing golf. First Tee gave me a comfortable environment to strengthen my social skills which helped me grow as a person on and off the course. I was taught how the core values in life go hand in hand with core values needed for success in golf.

What has been the hardest obstacle you have overcome off the golf course?

The hardest obstacle I have had to overcome off the golf course was not overthinking everyday situations in my mind. I handled this obstacle by realizing that these small things that I had been overthinking really do not matter in the grand scheme of life. If I had to experience it again, I would have asked for help sooner, so I could have seen the world in a better perspective and stopped overthinking faster.

Tell us a fun fact about yourself.

I played baseball from ages 4 to 12. I played Club Baseball for 3 years from age 9 to 12 and made Little League All Stars all 4 years. I loved pitching because I had control of the game just like golf.



First Tee has given me a second family that I know will always be supporting me, and the opportunities and relationships I have built are one's I will remember for the rest of my life.

